

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Title 9.1 a section*
3 *numbered 9.1-116.8, relating to Virginia Opioid Use Reduction and Jail-Based Substance Use*
4 *Disorder Treatment and Transition Fund; established.*

5 [H 1524]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**8 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Title 9.1 a section**
9 **numbered 9.1-116.8 as follows:**10 **§ 9.1-116.8. Virginia Opioid Use Reduction and Jail-Based Substance Use Disorder Treatment and**
11 **Transition Fund.**12 *A. There is hereby created in the state treasury a special nonreverting fund to be known as the*
13 *Virginia Opioid Use Reduction and Jail-Based Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Transition Fund,*
14 *referred to in this section as "the Fund." The Fund shall be established on the books of the Comptroller.*
15 *All funds appropriated for such purpose and any gifts, donations, grants, bequests, and other funds*
16 *received on its behalf shall be paid into the state treasury and credited to the Fund. Interest earned on*
17 *moneys in the Fund shall remain in the Fund and be credited to it. Any moneys remaining in the Fund,*
18 *including interest thereon, at the end of each fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund but shall*
19 *remain in the Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be used solely for the purposes of funding and supporting*
20 *the planning and implementation of locally administered jail-based addiction recovery and substance use*
21 *disorder treatment and transition programs in local and regional jails. Expenditures and disbursements*
22 *from the Fund shall be made by the State Treasurer on warrants issued by the Comptroller upon written*
23 *request signed by the Director of the Department or his designee.*24 *B. The Fund shall be administered by the Department, and the Department shall adopt guidelines, in*
25 *consultation with the Virginia Sheriffs' Association and the Virginia Association of Regional Jails, to*
26 *make funds available to local and regional jails for the planning or operation of substance use disorder*
27 *treatment services and transition services for persons with substance use disorder who are incarcerated*
28 *in local and regional jails. The guidelines shall direct the distribution of funds to programs including*
29 *medical assisted treatment therapies, addiction recovery and other substance use disorder services, or*
30 *reentry and transitional support.*31 *C. The Department shall establish a grant procedure, in consultation with the Virginia Sheriffs'*
32 *Association and the Virginia Association of Regional Jails, to govern funds awarded for this purpose.*
33 *No grant funds shall be used by the grantee to supplant funding for an existing program.*34 **2. That the provisions of this act shall become effective on July 1, 2024.**

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